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BY HAND

The Honorable Paul A. Crotty
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street, Room 735
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Re: United States v. Salvador Beltré,
05 Cr. 208, 08 Cv. 1683 (PAC)

Dear Judge Crotty:

The Government writes to seek an extension of time within which to file its response to the above-captioned petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255, filed pro se on February 27, 2008. By the Court's order of March 17, 2008, the Government was directed to file its response by May 7, 2008. The Government respectfully requests an additional 30 days - until June 6, 2008 - to file its response so that it may confer further with the petitioner's previous defense counsel and respond to the defendant's multiple arguments alleging ineffective assistance of counsel. Under the Court's briefing schedule outlined in the March 17 order, the petitioner had an additional two weeks to file a reply, which would be June 20, 2008, under the revised briefing schedule requested herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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L7 Govt response by 6/6/08
L7 Petitioner's reply by 6/20/08

SO ORDERED: APR 30 2008

HON. PAUL A. CROTTY
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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